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DETAILED ACTION

The rejection of Claims 4 and 5 under 35 USC 103(a) in the Office Action dated September 19, 2006 should be amended to reflect the following corrections:

- 1) The reference to "Gitman" on Page 6, Line 15 should be substituted to read "Shimizu"
- 2) The reference to "Gitman" on Page 6, Line 24 should be substituted to read "Shimizu"
- 3) The reference to "Gitman" on Page 7, Line 3 should be substituted to read "Shimizu"

The above identified amendments were set forth in a telephone conversation with Chris Brody on October 10, 2006. It is understood that the shortened statutory period for reply set to expire 3 months from the date of the original Office Action dated September 19, 2006 remains in effect.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jason L. Lazorcik whose telephone number is (571) 272-2217. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 5:00pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steven Griffin can be reached on (571) 272-1189. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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